IN THE CLAIMS:

1   1.   (Cancelled)

1   2.   (Currently amended) A computer-implemented method of transmitting stream-
2   ing data, the method comprising:
3   streaming a video comprising previously-stored first video data and second
4   video data from data storage to a user, and
5   receiving a request to fast-forward the video and detecting an attempt to bypass
6   the second video data and, notwithstanding the request, streaming the second video data
7   to the user;
8   wherein the first video data is stored on a first member of the data storage and the
9   second video data is stored on a second member of the data storage, the user being <u>en-</u>
10 <u>abled</u>   ~~allowed~~   to fast-forward any video data stored on the first member <u>and disabled</u>
11 <u>from fast-forwarding</u>   ~~but not being allowed to fast-forward~~   any video data stored on
12 the second member<u>, to transmit the any video data stored on the second member to the</u>
13 <u>user with fast-forwarding disabled.</u>

1   3.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, wherein the second video data in-
2   cludes data representing an advertisement.

1   4.   (Previously Presented) The method, of claim 2, wherein streaming includes com-
2   pressing.

1   5.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, further comprising:
2   storing with the data for the video a pointer to a location of the second data on the
3   data storage.

1   6.   (Currently Amended) A video streaming system comprising:

2   a first portion of a virtual partition, the first portion containing previously-stored

3   first video data,

4   a second portion of the virtual partition, the second portion containing previously-

5   stored second video data;

6   a file system operable to access video data stored on the first and second portions

7   of the virtual partition; and

8   a module operable to read the video data from the first and second portions of the

9   virtual partition, the file system being configured to access the video data from the first

10   and second portions of the virtual partition through the module, the module being config-

11   ured to refuse a request to fast-forward any video data stored on the second portion and

12   being configured to detect an attempt by a user to bypass the second video data from the

13   second portion of the virtual partition with a fast-forward request and, notwithstanding

14   the request, to <u>transmit</u> ~~route~~ the second video data to the user.

1   7.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 6, wherein the second video data stored

2   on the second portion of the virtual partition includes data representing an advertisement.

1   8.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 6, wherein the module is further operable

2   to fast-forward the first video data from the first portion of the virtual partition in response to

3   the fast-forward request.

1   9.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 6, the system further comprising:

2   a compression unit operable to compress the data for the video.

1   10.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 6, wherein a pointer on the first portion

2   of the virtual partition specifies a location of the data for the video that is stored on the sec-

3   ond portion.

1   11.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 6, further comprising:

2   a server operable to send, in response to a user request, a request to the file system

3   for the data stored on the first and second portions of the virtual partition, the file system be-

4   ing operable to receive the request from the server and provide the data stored on the first and

5   second portions of the virtual partition to the server.

1   12.   (Cancelled)

1   13.   (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium storing a computer program

2   product comprising instructions operable to cause a computer to perform operations comprising:

3   streaming a video comprising previously-stored first video data and second video data

4   from data storage to a user; and

5   receiving a request to fast-forward the video and detecting an attempt to bypass the sec-

6   ond video data and, notwithstanding the request, streaming the second video data to the user;

7   wherein the first video data is stored on a first member of the data storage and the second

8   video data is stored on a second member of the data storage, the user being <u>enabled</u> ~~allowed~~ to

9   fast- forward any video data stored on the first member <u>and disabled from fast-forwarding</u>

10   ~~but not being allowed to fast- forward~~ any video data stored on the second member<u>, to trans-</u>

11   <u>mit the any video data stored on the second member to the user with fast-forwarding dis-</u>

12   <u>abled</u>.

1   14.   (Previously Presented) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 13, wherein the

2   second video data includes data representing an advertisement.

1   15.   (Previously Presented) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 13, wherein

2   streaming includes compressing.

1   16.   (Currently Amended) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 13, further com-

2   prising instructions for:

3   storing with the data for the <u>second</u> video a pointer to a location of the second

4   data on the data storage.

1   17.   (Cancelled)

1   18.   (Previously Presented) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 13, wherein

2   the first video data and the second video data represent different source video.

1   19.   (Cancelled)

1   20.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, wherein the first video data and the

2   second video data represent different source video.